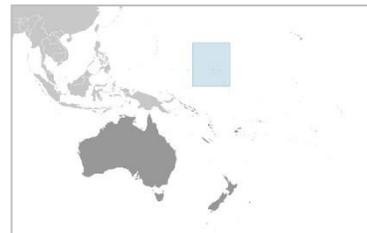
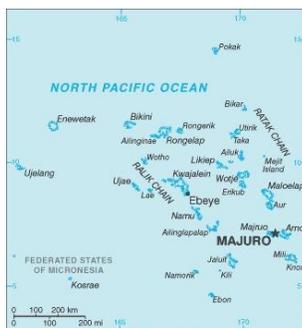


MARSHALL ISLANDS



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President David KABUA

Head of Government

President David KABUA

Government Type

mixed presidential-parliamentary system in free association with the US

Capital

Majuro

Legislature

bicameral National Parliament consists of the Council of Iroij (a 12-member group of tribal leaders) and the Nitijela (33 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of the chief justice and 2 associate justices)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Gerald M. ZACKIOS

US Ambassador

Ambassador Karen Brevard STEWART

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 181 sq km

Land: 181 sq km

Water: 0 sq km

Climate

tropical; hot and humid; wet season May to November; islands border typhoon belt

Natural Resources

coconut products, marine products, deep seabed minerals

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

US assistance and lease payments for the use of Kwajalein Atoll as a US military base are the economic mainstay; the most important commercial crops are coconuts and breadfruit; industry is limited to handicrafts, tuna processing, and copra

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$196 million (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$3,600 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$0 (2013 est.)

Imports

\$103.8 million (2016 est.)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

77,920 (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

1.43% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Marshallese 92.1%, mixed

Language

Marshallese (official)

98.2%, other languages 1.8% (1999 census)

note: English (official), widely spoken as a second language

Religion

Protestant 80.5% (United Church of Christ 47%, Assembly of God 16.2%, Bukot Nan Jesus 5.4%, Full Gospel 3.3%, Reformed Congressional Church 3%, Salvation Army 1.9%, Seventh Day Adventist 1.4%, Meram in Jesus 1.2%, other Protestant 1.1%), Roman Catholic 8.5%, Mormon 7%, Jehovah's Witness 1.7%, other 1.2%, none 1.1% (2011 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 77.8% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 0.61% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

98.3% (2011)

